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SUBJECT: TRIP BY FOREIGN MINISTER GENSCHER

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1. THE FOREIGN OFFICE HAS ANNOUNCED THAT FOREIGN
MINISTER GENSCHER WILL VISIT THE SUBCONTINENT AND
SOUTHEAST ASIA AND HAS GIVEN THE PRECISE DATES OF THE
TRIP:

APRIL 20-23: INDIA (HOST FOREIGN MINISTER)

APRIL 24: SRI LANKA (HOST PRIME MINISTER BANDARANAIKE)

APRIL 25-27: INDONESIA (HOST FOREIGN MINISTER MALIK)

APRIL 28-29: SINGAPORE (HOST FOREIGN MINISTER
RAJARATNAM)

2. THE TRIP PROMISES TO BECOME A MAJOR FOREIGN
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POLICY UNDERTAKING BY GENSCHER. HE PLANS TO USE THE
SAME FORMULA THAT HE FOLLOWED TO GOOD EFFECT IN THE
MIDDLE EAST. THAT IS, HE WILL TRAVEL IN A GERMAN AIR
FORCE 707. HE WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY A LARGE NUMBER
OF ADVISERS AND AN EVEN LARGER NUMBER OF PRESS AND
BUSINESSMEN. THE BUSINESSMEN WILL BE PROGRAMED WITH
GENSCHER, BUT ALSO WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO PURSUE

THEIR OWN COMMERCIAL INTERESTS. GENSCHER HAS FOUND THAT THESE "MIXED DELEGATIONS" ARE AN EFFECTIVE WAY OF PROMOTING THE GERMAN NATIONAL INTEREST IN THE COUNTRIES WHICH HE VISITS.

3. GENSCHER ORIGINALLY WANTED TO VISIT INDIA AND INDONESIA. HE ADDED SINGAPORE BECAUSE HE HAS A PERSONAL FRIENDSHIP WITH RAJARATNAM. SRI LANKA WAS ADDED IN ORDER TO GIVE HIM ADDITIONAL PERSPECTIVES ON THE THIRD WORLD MOVEMENT. PERHAPS THE MAIN BENEFIT OF THE TRIP WILL BE AN UNPLANNED ONE: EXPOSURE TO THE NEW LEADERSHIP IN INDIA.

4. A FOREIGN OFFICE SOURCE (STEGER, DIRECTOR OF SOUTH-EAST ASIA) HAS TOLD US THAT, IN SPITE OF THE INTENSIVE PREPARATIONS FOR THE TRIP, HE DOES NOT EXPECT IT TO LEAD TO THE ACCOMPLISHMENT OF VERY MUCH BILATERAL BUSINESS. THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF THE TRIP IS TO GIVE GENSCHER PERSONAL EXPOSURE TO THE AREA, AN AREA WHICH HE HAS WANTED TO VISIT EVER SINCE THEN STATE MINISTER MOERSCH VISITED IT LAST YEAR AND REPORTED THAT THERE ARE UNEXPLOITED OPPORTUNITIES OF COOPERATION WITH THE ASEAN STATES.
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